

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	)	
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BASKIN, Dale et al.	)	Group Art Unit: 1637
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Application No.: 09/818,086	)	Examiner: TUNG, Joyce
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Filed: March 26, 2001	)	Confirmation No. 2844
	)	
For: METHODS OF DETERMINING	)	
THE PRESENCE OF	)	
POLYNUCLEOTIDES	)	
EMPLOYING AMPLIFICATION	)	

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Sir:

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION  
AND INTERVIEW SUMMARY**

Applicants now respond to the Advisory Action Before the Filing of an Appeal Brief mailed March 12, 2007 ("Action"). A Notice of Appeal and requisite fee along with a Petition for Three Month Extension of Time and requisite fee were filed on February 13, 2007. Applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendments and consideration of the following remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper at pages 2-6.

**Remarks** follow the amendments section of this paper at page 7.